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SUBJECT: US POSITION ON INCLUSION OF AUTOMATIC DATA  
PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (ADPE) UNDER TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON  
COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT (TSGCEE)

REF: USNATO 6406

IN RESPONSE TO PARAGRAPH 8 OF REFERENCE, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED  
TO RELEASE TO TSGCEE SECRETARY THE FOLLOWING U.S. POSITION  
ON INCLUSION OF ADPE UNDER TSGCEE:

QUOTE. CONSOLIDATION OF ADPE UNDER A TSGCEE SUBGROUP  
WOULD PROVIDE DEVELOPERS AND PRODUCERS OF COMMUNICATIONS,  
COMMAND AND CONTROL, NAVIGATION, IDENTIFICATION, AND  
OTHER ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS WITH SEVERAL SIGNIFICANT  
ADVANTAGES. FIRST, THE TSGCEE PROVIDES AN IMPROVED  
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FORUM FOR EXCHANGING INFORMATION REQUIRED TO ASSESS  
ADPE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INTERFACES, FLEXIBILITY,  
AND GROWTH REQUIREMENTS. SECOND, THE INCLUSION OF  
ADP IN THE TSGCEE WOULD IMPROVE VISIBILITY OF THE  
MATRIX FROM WHICH COOPERATIVE EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT AND  
PRODUCTION PROGRAMS CAN BE GENERATED. THIRD, IT WOULD

HAVE A TENDENCY TO ELIMINATE THE POTENTIAL FOR DIVERGENCE OR COMPETITION BETWEEN EFFORTS WHICH PRESENTLY EXIST. FOURTH, IT PROVIDES A SINGLE FOCAL POINT DEALING WITH THE JOINT ASPECTS OF ADPE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE, IN PARTICULAR WITH REGARD TO TECHNICAL INTERFACE STANDARDS FOR ADPE SYSTEMS.

QUOTE. IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT MANY ADPE COMPONENTS ARE INTEGRAL TO WEAPONS SYSTEMS. HOWEVER, A CLEAR DELINEATION CAN BE MADE IN MOST CASES FOR ADPE WHICH SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS FUNCTIONS FROM THOSE INTEGRAL WITH WEAPONS SYSTEMS. ESTABLISHMENT OF A TSGCEE SUBGROUP ON ADPE SHOULD EXCLUDE ADPE COMPONENTS INTEGRAL TO A WEAPON. EXISTING PANELS OF THE NAAG, NNAG, AND NAFAG SHOULD PROBABLY RETAIN COGNIZANCE OVER SERVICE PECULIAR ADPE, INCLUDING THAT OF AN EMBEDDED WEAPON SYSTEMS NATURE.

QUOTE. U.S. POSITION: (1) SUPPORTS THE ADDITION OF ADPE RESPONSIBILITY IN THE TSGCEE TERMS OF REFERENCE, (2) RECOMMENDS THE FORMATION OF A SUBGROUP ON ADPE, (3) RECOMMENDS THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TSGCEE COORDINATE WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NAAG, NNAG, NAFAG TO DETERMINE WHICH TRI-SERVICE RELATED EFFORTS SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO THE TSGCEE FROM THE PRESENT PANELS/SUBGROUPS. UNQUOTE.  
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